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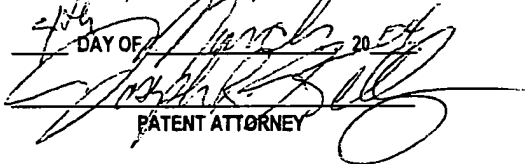
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS TO  
REDUCE SERIAL COMMUNICATIONS  
PATH CONNECTION OVERHEAD

Docket No.: S104.12-0060

REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTORS

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I hereby declare that:

1. My residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.
2. I believe the inventors named below to be the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,317,800, granted November 13, 2001 and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD AND APPRATUS TO REDUCE ARBITRATED-LOOP OVERHEAD, the specification of which is attached hereto.
3. I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims as amended by the preliminary amendment submitted herewith.
4. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.
5. I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, by reason of the patentee claiming less than it had a right to claim in the patent.
6. At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below.

A number of the independent claims, including independent claim 1, limit the communications channel system to including a first channel node having at least two ports (e.g., first and second ports). However, the serial device could have only a single port.

7. All errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

8. As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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10. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine and imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO REISSUE, OFFER TO SURRENDER  
POWER OF ATTORNEY AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §3.73(b)

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Sir:

Seagate Technology LLC., owner of the entire right, title, and interest, by assignment, in the United States Letters Patent No. 6,317,800, granted November 13, 2001, hereby assents to the filing of present reissue application and hereby offers to surrender said Letters Patent.

Seagate Technology LLC. hereby revokes all former Power of Attorney and appoints the following attorneys and/or agents:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 35 §3.73(b), Seagate Technology LLC, a corporation certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest of the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded at Reel 9843, Frame 0834.

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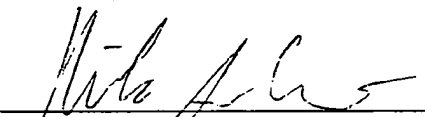
**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Seagate Technology LLC states that it is the Assignee of Entire Interest in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of an Assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. A copy of the Assignment is attached and/or was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel , Frame . The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the Assignee.

Respectfully submitted,

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